reforms were, both provincial and central government for them signifying mainly a policeman in a red puggaree who needed to be conciliated with obsequious behaviour and sometimes, bribes. The others who did know what constitutional reforms were, and all about the Simon Commission—students, lawyer, government officials, plump Brahmins with sacred thread and white turban—were decidedly disgruntled by its findings.

The Round-Table delegates assembled in St. James's Palace in the late autumn, somewhat chilly but excited, and each in receipt of a generous allowance to meet living expenses. They were exceedingly representative, some representing Indian womanhood, some Indian labour, some Indian commerce; a Mr. U. Ba Pay representing Burma, the Aga Khan representing the Aga Khan, everything under the sun represented except the 25,000 in gaol and the 300,000,000 cultivating their small patches of overworked soil.

King George V opened the Conference, and MacDonald delivered the first oration. He described how he had travelled through India, admiring its temples, resting under its banyan trees, enthralled by its ancient wisdom and peace. They were met together, he went on, to discuss a Constitution. Now his Indian friends must realise that there were a great variety of Constitutions, as a Federal Constitution on the United States model, a highly centralised Constitution on the French model, an unwritten Constitution which had slowly grown up with the centuries on the British model; any number of Constitutions,

some with single-chamber legislatures, some bi-cameral, some even tri-catneral. As he enumerated these different Constitutions, he seemed, like a commercial traveller, to be taking them out of a bag—this the American model, this the French, this the British, this a convenient bi-cameral attachment which was well worth the small increase in price it involved. *I want/ he concluded, 'the lion (I don't know which is the lion) to lie down with the lamb—whichever is the lamb—and when they do demonstrate that they are lying down together the constitution will emerge with great simplicity and quickly/